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Adjournment Resolution—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives an adjournment resolution from the House, it be agreed to, providing that the text is identical to the resolution being held at the desk.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Joshua B. Bolten, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Rick A. Dearborn, of Oklahoma, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs).

Scott J. Bloch, of Kansas, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, for the term of five years.

Penrose C. Albright, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security. (New Position)

Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General

Routine lists in the Army.

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Record Votes: Sixteen record votes were taken today. (Total—262)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:15 a.m., and adjourned at 1:15 a.m. on Friday, June 27, 2003, until 10:15 a.m., on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8817.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HEALTHY FORESTS RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine H.R. 1904, to improve the capacity of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to plan and conduct hazardous fuels reduction projects on National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands aimed at protecting communities, watersheds, and certain other at-risk lands from catastrophic wildfire, to enhance efforts to protect watersheds and address threats to forest and rangeland health, including catastrophic wildfire, across the landscape, after receiving testimony from Senator McCain; Mark Rey, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and the Environment; Lynn Scarlett, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management, and Budget; Michael Carroll, Minnesota State Forester, St. Paul, on behalf of the National Association of State Foresters; Frederick M. Stephen, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, on behalf of the Society of American Foresters; Tom Nelson, Sierra Pacific Industries, Redding, California, on behalf of the American Forest and Paper Association; Jacquellin L. McAvoy, City Council, Post Falls, Idaho, on behalf of the Idaho Women in Timber; Michael Petersen, The Lands Council, Spokane, Washington; Norman L. Christensen, Jr., Duke University Nicholas School of the Environment and Earth Sciences, Durham, North Carolina; Hal Salwasser, Oregon State University Department of Forest Resources, Corvallis; Donald J. Kochan, George Mason University School of Law, Arlington, Virginia; and Patrick Parenteau, Vermont Law School, South Royalton.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR/HHS/ EDUCATION AND MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business bills:

An original bill (S. 1356) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004; and

An original bill (S. 1357) making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004.

FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine affiliate

sharing practices in relation to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, focusing on privacy protections, security risks and threats to the credit reporting system, retail credit card programs, and merchandise returns, after receiving testimony from Vermont Assistant Attorney General Julie Brill, Montpelier; Joel R. Reidenberg, Fordham University School of Law, and Martin Wong, Citigroup, Inc., both of New York, New York; Ronald A. Prill, Target Financial Services, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Retail Federation; Edmund Mierzwinski, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Washington, D.C.; Terry Baloun, Wells Fargo Bank, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and Angela Maynard, Keycorp, Cleveland, Ohio.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1264, to reauthorize the Federal Communications Commission, with amendments;

H.R. 1320, to amend the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Organization Act to facilitate the reallocation of spectrum from governmental to commercial users, with an amendment;

An original bill to authorize funds for highway safety programs, motor carrier safety programs, hazardous materials transportation safety programs, and boating safety programs;

S. 1262, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2004, 2005, and 2006 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, with amendments; and

S. 1218, to provide for Presidential support and coordination of interagency ocean science programs and development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research and monitoring program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NOMINATIONS:

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations of Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, and James J. Jochum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 90, expressing the sense of the Senate that the Senate strongly supports the nonproliferation programs of the United States, with an amendment;

S. Res. 62, calling upon the Organization of American States (OAS) Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the European Union, and human rights activists throughout the world to take certain actions in regard to the human rights situation in Cuba;

S. Res. 149, expressing the sense of the Senate that the international response to the current need for food in the Horn of Africa remains inadequate, with an amendment; and

The nominations of Robert W. Fitts, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu, Marsha E. Barnes, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, John E. Herbst, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Tracey Ann Jacobson, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, George A. Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, John F. Maisto, of Pennsylvania, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, Greta N. Morris, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Roger Francisco Noriega, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Western Hemisphere Affairs), William B. Wood, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia, and certain Foreign Service Officer promotion lists.

INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL ABDUCTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of State's Office of Children's Issues, focusing on responding to international parental abduction, after receiving testimony from Senator Lincoln; and Maura Harty, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs.

NOMINATIONS:

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Judith Nan Macaluso, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; Fern Flanagan Saddler, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; and Joshua B. Bolten, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 281, to amend the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century to make certain amendments with respect to Indian tribes, to provide for training

and technical assistance to Native Americans who are interested in commercial vehicle driving careers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Lisa Genevieve Nason, of Alaska, Georgianna E. Ignace, of Wisconsin, John Richard Grimes, of Massachusetts, each to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, and Charles W. Grim, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 174, designating Thursday, November 20, 2003, as "Feed America Thursday";

S. Res. 175, designating the month of October 2003, as "Family History Month"; and

The nominations of Diane M. Stuart, of Utah, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice; and Thomas M. Hardiman,

to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Also, committee resumed markup of S. 1125, to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

GROWING WAHHABI INFLUENCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology, and Homeland Security concluded hearings to examine the ideological structure of Wahhabism, an extreme and violent form of Islam, and its potential for political and social influence in the United States, after receiving testimony from David Aufhauser, General Counsel, Department of the Treasury; Larry A. Mefford, Assistant Director, Counterterrorism Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Alex Alexiev, Center for Security Policy, and Stephen Schwartz, Foundation for Defense of Democracies, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 68 public bills, H.R. 2607–2656; and; 18 resolutions, H.J. Res. 62; H. Con. Res., 231–239 and H. Res. 300–307, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 438, to increase the amount of student loans that may be forgiven for teachers in mathematics, science, and special education, amended (H. Rept. 108–182);

H.R. 2211, to reauthorize title II of the Higher Education Act of 1965, amended (H. Rept. 108–183);

H.R. 2210, to reauthorize the Head Start Act to improve the school readiness of disadvantaged children, amended (H. Rept. 108–184); and

H.R. 74, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California (H. Rept. 108–185).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Milton Balkany, Dean, Bais Yaakov of Brooklyn, New York.

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Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of June 25 by yea-and-nay vote of 357 yeas to 68 nays, Roll No. 327.

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Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2004: The House passed H.R. 2417, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System by yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 333. The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to the bill on June 25.

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Agreed To:

Hastings of Florida amendment No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 108–176, debated on June 25, that directs the Director of Central Intelligence to establish a pilot project to improve recruitment of ethnic and cultural minorities and women with diverse skills and language abilities (agreed to by recorded vote of 418 yeas with none voting "no", Roll No. 318;

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Rejected:

Kucinich amendment No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 108–176, debated on June 25, that sought to direct the Inspector General of the Central Intelligence